January 6, 2014

Division of Water Quality Utah Department of Environmental Quality Notice of Public Comment Period and Proposed 401 Water Quality Certification To Construct a Breakwater Barrier at Yuba Lake Reservoir (Sevier Bridge Reservoir) Juab County, Utah

Purpose of Public Notice

The Utah Division of Water Quality (DWQ) is soliciting comments regarding the issuance of 401 Water Quality Certification to construct a breakwater barrier at Yuba Lake Reservoir (Sevier Bridge Reservoir) to improve safety of the recreational users and watercraft by reducing wave action under the authority of Section 401 of the federal Clean Water Act, (33 U.S.C. § 1341) and consistent with the Utah Water Quality Act, Title 19, Chapter 5, Utah Code Ann. 1953, as amended and Utah Administrative Code R317-15. A person who wishes to challenge a Permit Order may only raise an issue or argument during an adjudicatory proceeding that was raised during the public comment period and was supported with sufficient information or documentation to enable the Director to fully consider the substance and significance of the issue. Utah Code Ann. 19-1-301.5 can be viewed at the following internet URL: http://le.utah.gov/~code/TITLE19/htm/19_01_030105.htm.

Permit Information

Permittee: Utah State Parks and Recreation

Mailing Address: 1594 W. North Temple, Suite 116, Salt Lake City Utah, 84114

Facility Location: Yuba Lake Reservoir, also known as Sevier Bridge Reservoir, is a state park located approximately 110 miles south of Salt Lake City, Utah. The Reservoir address is: 12225 South Yuba Dam Road, Levan, UT 84639.

Permit Background

The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (USACE) intend to authorize Utah State Parks and Recreation (State Parks) to construct a breakwater barrier in Yuba Lake Reservoir by issuing a Letter of Permission Permit (LOP), SPK-2012-01273-UO, which requires State Parks to secure 401 Water Quality Certification. Sevier Bridge Reservoir (Yuba Lake Reservoir) has the following beneficial use classifications: 2A (protected for frequent primary contact recreation); 3B (protected warm water fishery and aquatic life); and 4 (protected for agricultural uses including irrigation of crops and stock watering). This reservoir is not impaired and meets all assessed water quality standards.

Public Comments

The Public Comment period for this action begins with a notice posted on DWQ's website at: http://www.waterquality.utah.gov/PublicNotices/index.htm, on Monday, January 6, 2014 through, Monday, January 20, 2014 at 6:00 p.m. This Public Notice is less than the normal 30 day period based on: 1) the construction period can occur during low reservoir water elevations; 2) minable impacts to the aquatic habitat.

Additional Information

Additional information listed below is also posted on DWQ's Public Notice website at: http://www.waterquality.utah.gov/PublicNotices/index.htm

• Utah State Parks and Recreation 401 Water Quality Certification application and attachments,

dated January 6, 2014;

• DWQ Draft 401 Water Quality Certification with conditions;

Submission of Public Comments

Public comments on this matter must be received by the Division of Water Quality by, Monday, January 20, 2014 at 6:00 p.m. All comments will be considered to determine whether an amended 401 Water Quality Certification is necessary.

Please submit comments to Bill Damery at wdamery@utah.gov. Comments may also be submitted by mail to

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